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MEMORANDUM FOR : Director, Foreign Broadcast Information Service
THROUGH : Chief, Operations Group
SUBJECT : Monthly Report--Gulf Bureau--October 1985

I. OPERATIONS

A. Monitorial/Editorial

1. Since June, Gulf Bureau has been backstop recording for BBC Tehran Domestic Service in Persian on Fridays from 1230-1315 GMT, during which time the recorded Tehran Friday sermons are carried. The Tehran short wave frequency monitored by BBC carries Bengali programming during this period. On 4 October, Tehran announced that the recorded sermons would henceforth be broadcast after the evening prayers, once again falling with BBC's period of monitorability. Thus, coverage responsibility for the recorded sermons has been returned to the BBC.
2. On 10 October, bureau Persian monitors covered live from Tehran Domestic Service in Persian at 0548 GMT the swearing-in ceremony of Iranian President Seyyed 'Ali Khamene'i at the Iranian Majlis in Tehran. Following the swearing-in, the president gave a 11-minute address. FYI's were prepared and the oath of office and speech filed as separate items.
3. In preparation for the summit of the GCC heads of state to be held in Muscat, Oman, on 3 November, the GCC defense and foreign ministers met separately in Kuwait and Muscat, respectively, to discuss issues to be dealt with by the heads of state. Comments by the various GCC ministers suggest that the foremost issue to be discussed will be that of security in the Gulf region. The bureau has made special staffing arrangements to handle all radio, press, and television coverage throughout the summit.
4. Gulf Bureau participated in the semiannual check of Soviet regional and Moscow Radio international broadcasts following the introduction of fall/winter frequency changes on 29 September. Chief Monitor [redacted] directed the cruising effort, assisted by the bureau's three unit chiefs. In addition, on 30 September/1 October, Central Asian unit chief [redacted] and senior monitor [redacted] conducted an exhaustive overnight survey of Soviet regional domestic service radios monitorable at the bureau. Their observations were filed as a cruising message.

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B. Special Services

1. On 15 October, in view of the Wire's high interest in obtaining a copy of the 12 October issue of the Beirut newspaper AL-NAHAR, which allegedly carried a frontpage photograph of the corpse of American diplomat William Buckley, the bureau located a copy of the issue in a local shop. Arrangements were made to send the copy to the Wire via DHL the same day.

II. ADMINISTRATION

A. Personnel

STAT 1. New Arabic monitor [] entered on duty on 7
STAT October, bringing the bureau's Arabic section up to full strength.
[] who comes from Jordan, is accompanied by his wife and
STAT three children.

2. Arabic monitor [] was promoted to monitor
specialist, FBN-9, effective 27 October.

B. Building and Grounds

Discussions with the bureau's landlord regarding rental of additional space on the ground floor were concluded during the month. An area of 430 sq. ft., including the small existing generator room will be partitioned off by the landlord for the bureau's use to expand the generator room and provide additional storage space. The cost will be an additional BD 100/month. The bureau's lease will be amended accordingly.

III. VISITS

A. To the Bureau

STAT 1. Regional Engineer [] 8-14 October, to work on the
STAT emergency power system.

2. IG inspectors [] 19-23
October.

3. Cmdr John Seiden, Lt Cmdr Gregory Mansfield, and Lt Cmdr Columbus Williams, USN, on 24 October for a briefing on FBIS operations and discussion of lateral services to COMIDEASTFOR.

STAT 4. [] biographic analyst for Iran and Afghanistan,
30-31 October, to discuss reporting requirements with editors and
monitors.

B. From the Bureau

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Bureau chief [] called on Mr. Ahmed Sherooqi, media and public relations manager of the Ministry of Information, on 7 October, following Mr. Sherooqi's return from a trip to Australia and New Zealand.

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Chief, Gulf Bureau

ATT: Monthly Production Report

GULF BUREAU PRODUCTION REPORT FOR OCTOBER 1985

I. TOTALS FROM ALL SOURCES:

TOTAL PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH	:	315,330	
TOTAL NON-PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH	:	108,920	
TOTAL NUMBER OF PUBLISHABLE ITEMS FILED DURING MONTH	:	829	
	BROAD CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
II. INPUT OF REGULAR COVERAGE:	15,704	13,740	191.5

(MINUTES OR ISSUES PER WEEK)

III. OUTPUT FROM ALL SOURCES:

(PUBLISHABLE WORDS PER MONTH)

AFGHANISTAN

KABUL INTERNATIONAL SERVICE IN ARABIC	-0-
KABUL IN ENGLISH TO SOUTH ASIA	-0-

BAHRAIN

MANAMA DOMESTIC SERVICE IN ARABIC	-0-	
MANAMA DOMESTIC SERVICE IN ENGLISH	-0-	
MANAMA TELEVISION SERVICE IN ARABIC	-0-	
MANAMA WAKH IN ARABIC		28,670
MANAMA WAKH IN ENGLISH		14,630
MANAMA AKHBAR AL-KHALIJ IN ARABIC		1,320
MANAMA AL-ADWA' IN ARABIC		-0-
MANAMA AL-MAWAQIF IN ARABIC		-0-
MANAMA SADA AL-USBU' IN ARABIC		-0-
MANAMA GULF DAILY NEWS IN ENGLISH		2,040
MANAMA GULF MIRROR IN ENGLISH		-0-

CLANDESTINE

(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF ISLAMIC REVOLUTION OF AFGHANISTAN IN DARI	-0-
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF ISLAMIC REVOLUTION OF AFGHANISTAN IN PASHTO	-0-
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF AL-AHVAZ REVOLUTION IN ARABIC	-0-

(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF IRAQI		
KURDISTAN IN BAH DINANI KURDISH	-0-	
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF IRAQI		
KURDISTAN IN SURANI KURDISH	-0-	
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF IRAQI		
REVOLUTION IN SURANI KURDISH	-0-	
(CLANDESTINE) FREE VOICE OF IRAN		
IN PERSIAN	3,050	
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF MOJAHEDIN-E		
KHALQ IN PERSIAN	-0-	
(CLANDESTINE) RADIO NEJAT-E IRAN		
IN PERSIAN	4,840	
(CLANDESTINE) RADIO IRAN IN		
PERSIAN	3,210	
IRAN		

TEHRAN INTERNATIONAL SERVICE		
IN ARABIC	15,500	
TEHRAN TELEVISION SERVICE		
IN ARABIC	230	
TEHRAN INTERNATIONAL SERVICE		
IN RUSSIAN	-0-	
TEHRAN INTERNATIONAL SERVICE		
IN TURKISH	1,240	
MASHHAD INTERNATIONAL SERVICE		
IN DARI	-0-	
TABRIZ INTERNATIONAL SERVICE		
IN AZERI	1,800	
TEHRAN DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN PERSIAN	20,510	
TEHRAN DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN SURANI KURDISH	-0-	
TEHRAN DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN BAH DINANI KURDISH	-0-	
TEHRAN TELEVISION SERVICE		
IN PERSIAN	700	
TEHRAN TELEVISION SERVICE		
IN ENGLISH	-0-	
AHVAZ DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN PERSIAN	2,970	
BANDAR 'ABBAS DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN PERSIAN	830	
BUSHEHR DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN PERSIAN	1,040	
ESFAHAN DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN PERSIAN	-0-	
MASHHAD DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN PERSIAN	-0-	
SHIRAZ DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN PERSIAN	170	
TABRIZ DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN ARMENIAN	-0-	
TABRIZ DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN AZERI	-0-	
ZAHEDAN DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN PERSIAN	-0-	
TEHRAN IRNA IN		
ARABIC	-0-	
TEHRAN AL-SHAHID		
IN ARABIC	-0-	
TEHRAN KEYHAN AL-'ARABI		
IN ARABIC	-0-	
TEHRAN KAYHAN INTERNATIONAL		
IN ENGLISH	-0-	
TEHRAN TEHRAN TIMES IN		
ENGLISH	-0-	

TEHRAN ETTALA'AT IN		
PERSIAN		3,910
TEHRAN JOMHURI-YE ESLAMI		
IN PERSIAN		830
TEHRAN KEYHAN IN		
PERSIAN		640
TEHRAN KEYHAN HAVA'I		
IN PERSIAN		610
IRAQ		

BAGHDAD TELEVISION SERVICE		
IN PERSIAN	1,260	
BAGHDAD DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN ARABIC	780	
BAGHDAD DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN SURANI KURDISH	-0-	
KUWAIT		

KUWAIT AL-ANBA'		
IN ARABIC		3,020
KUWAIT AL-HADAF IN		
ARABIC		-0-
KUWAIT AL-QABAS		
IN ARABIC		4,410
KUWAIT AL-RA'Y AL-'AMM		
IN ARABIC		2,110
KUWAIT AL-SIYASAH IN		
ARABIC		3,140
KUWAIT AL-WATAN		
IN ARABIC		1,010
KUWAIT ARAB TIMES IN		
ENGLISH		10,890
OMAN		

MUSCAT DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN ARABIC	5,760	
SALALAH DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN ARABIC	740	
MUSCAT 'UMAN IN		
ARABIC		600
MUSCAT 'UMMAN AL-USBU'I		
IN ARABIC		-0-
MUSCAT ONA IN		
ARABIC		-0-
PAKISTAN		

ISLAMABAD THE MUSLIM		
IN ENGLISH		4,800
KARACHI DAWN		
IN ENGLISH		9,050
KARACHI JASARAT IN		
URDU		540
KARACHI MASHRIQ IN		
URDU		2,880

KARACHI NAWA-E WAQT		
IN URDU		1,190
LAHORE JANG IN		
URDU		560
RAWALPINDI HAIDAR IN		
URDU		1,990
RAWALPINDI PAKISTAN TIMES		
IN ENGLISH		2,780

QATAR

DOHA DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN ARABIC	2,730	
DOHA TELEVISION SERVICE		
IN ARABIC	-0-	
DOHA QNA IN		
ARABIC		10,250

SAUDI ARABIA

JEDDAH DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN ARABIC	3,850	
RIYADH DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN ARABIC	16,260	
RIYADH TELEVISION SERVICE		
IN ARABIC	8,970	
RIYADH TELEVISION SERVICE		
IN ENGLISH	-0-	
RIYADH SPA IN		
ARABIC		11,800
AL-DAMMAM AL-YAWM IN		
ARABIC		1,970
JEDDAH AL-MADINAH IN		
ARABIC		1,080
RIYADH AL-RIYAD IN		
ARABIC		-0-

SUDAN

OMDURMAN DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN ARABIC	-0-	
KHARTOUM SUNA IN		
ARABIC		810

UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS

MOSCOW IN PERSIAN TO		
IRAN	1,060	
BAKU INTERNATIONAL SERVICE		
IN PERSIAN	-0-	
BAKU INTERNATIONAL SERVICE		
IN AZERI	3,190	
DUSHANBE INTERNATIONAL SERVICE		
IN PERSIAN	-0-	
TASHKENT INTERNATIONAL SERVICE		
IN PERSIAN	-0-	
TASHKENT INTERNATIONAL SERVICE		
IN UIGHUR	-0-	
TASHKENT INTERNATIONAL SERVICE		
IN UZBEK	1,820	
YEREVAN INTERNATIONAL SERVICE		
IN ARMENIAN	-0-	
ALMA-ATA DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN RUSSIAN	550	

ASHKHABAD DOMESTIC SERVICE			
IN RUSSIAN	770		
ASHKHABAD DOMESTIC SERVICE			
IN TURKMEN	650		
BAKU DOMESTIC SERVICE			
IN AZERI	2,030		
BAKU DOMESTIC SERVICE			
IN RUSSIAN	-0-		
DUSHANBE DOMESTIC SERVICE			
IN RUSSIAN	210		
TASHKENT DOMESTIC SERVICE			
IN RUSSIAN	210		
TASHKENT DOMESTIC SERVICE			
IN UZBEK	8,520		
YEREVAN DOMESTIC SERVICE IN			
ARMENIAN	130		
 UNITED ARAB EMIRATES			

ABU DHABI DOMESTIC SERVICE			
IN ARABIC	1,640		
DUBAYY DOMESTIC SERVICE			
IN ARABIC	-0-		
ABU DHABI WAM			
IN ARABIC		5,870	
ABU DHABI AL-ITTIHAD			
IN ARABIC			6,260
ABU DHABI AL-ITTIHAD AL-USBU'I			
IN ARABIC			-0-
AL-SHARIQAH AL-KHALIJ			
IN ARABIC			3,230
DUBAYY AL-BAYAN			
IN ARABIC			1,830
DUBAYY KHALEEJ TIMES			
IN ENGLISH			4,970
 UNITED KINGDOM			

LONDON AL-MAJALIS			
IN ARABIC			3,420
LONDON ASGHAR AQA			
IN PERSIAN			-0-
LONDON KEYHAN IN			
PERSIAN			1,700
 PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC			
OF YEMEN (PDRY)			

ADEN DOMESTIC SERVICE IN			
ARABIC	23,590		
ADEN VOICE OF PALESTINE			
IN ARABIC	3,000		
ADEN ANA IN			
ARABIC		-0-	
ADEN ANA IN			
ENGLISH		-0-	
 YEMEN ARAB REPUBLIC (YAR)			

SANAA DOMESTIC SERVICE			
IN ARABIC	12,270		
SANAA VOICE OF PALESTINE			
IN ARABIC	4,440		
SANAA AL-THAWRAH			
IN ARABIC			-0-